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Mr. Brayton Wilbur
320 California Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Brayton:

This is just a note to thank you for your letter of August 20 which I finally had an opportunity to read upon my return.



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I was sorry to miss you when I came through California, but Clover and I certainly appreciated the ^{*}use of your home during our stay there. I hope that we will be able to get together soon for a good talk.

Faithfully,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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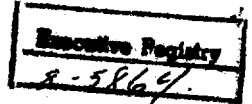
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*P.S. Mrs. W. gave us both a most delightful day and rest for weary travellers; All our thanks to her.
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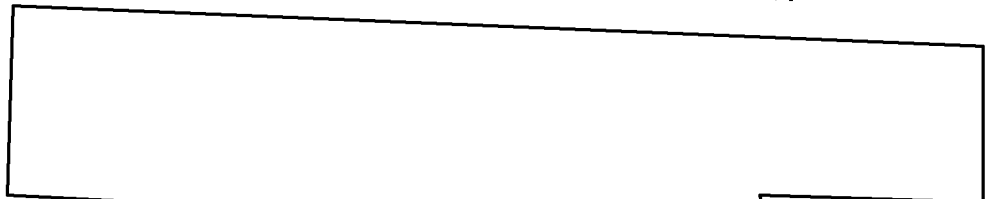


BRAYTON WILBUR
320 CALIFORNIA STREET
SAN FRANCISCO 4

August 20, 1956

Dear Allen:

During this Republican Convention week many, many of your friends are here in the keen interests of politics, but they are also having a little fun on the side.



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At present-- by this I mean for six months to a year--it is not possible for me to get away from my desk. Owing to the untimely death of my partner, I have a certain amount of liquidation to do in connection with our joint affairs of some thirty-five years' standing. It is a question not of mere acquisition but of settlement and arrangement which is tedious and time-absorbing.

Will you then please accept my sincere thanks for your suggestion, and may I feel that at some later date I might ask your indulgence for another chance.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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